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NAMED VARIETIES OF GLADIOLUS

1953

RECENT INTRODUCTIONS & NEWER VARIETIES

Name	Class	Yr.	Orig.	Buds	Exhib.	Lg.	Price		Bbts
				open	rating		M	S	
AUTUMN MOON	510	51	Fischer	18/7	B	50¢	35¢	25¢	10/25¢
Giant plain petaled - light yellow.									
BELVIDERE	462	51	Fischer	22/8	A	25	15	10	25/25
Excellent dark rose. Clear unflecked color. Stem long willowy.									
BETTY DUNCAN	422	49	Benedict	18/7	A	25	15	10	25/25
Very good cut flower. I have seen a 3 spike entry with 10 to 12 open.									
CELESTE	400	50	Sawellief	17/6	C	50	35	25	10/25
Very beautiful ruffled pure white. Medium height.									
CHIVAIRY	466	52	Fischer	18/7	B	50	35	25	10/25
Late ruffled light lavender.									
COLUMBIA	407	51	Roberts	20/8	A	1.50	1.00	75	10/100
Cream with rose edged petals. Amt. of rose coloring varies with weather and type of soil. Very good habits.									
CONNIE G	506	48	Woods	21/9	B	25	15	10	25/25
Tempermental ruffled cream. Can be grand champion under good conditions									
CORONET	366	49	Palmer	18/7	B	35	25	15	25/25
Medium size lavender. Not as beautiful as Wedgewood but better for show									
COTILLION	545	48		22/10	A	20	15	10	25/25
This dark pink will easily open 10 but tends to crook in hot weather.									
CROWN JEWEL	461	51	Fischer	18/7	B	50	25	15	10/25
Nice lavender with pretty throat blotch.									
CRUSADER	301	52	Fischer	19/8	A	1.00	75	50	10/1.0
Very beautiful white with purple throat mark. Possible section champ.									
DARK DAVID	554	51	Morgan	18/7	B	75	50	25	10/25
Ruffled black red.									
ELMERS ROSE	462	51	Fischer	20/8	A	50	25	15	10/25
A wonderful ruffled lavender that is good in every way.									
ENCHANTMENT	432	50	Fischer	18/7	B	20	15	10	25/25
This glad has what I consider the most beautiful individual florets.									
Flat wide open florets crimped edges. Satin texture.									
EVANGELINE	540	48	Palmer	22/102AA		20	15	10	25/25
This giant pink will give you more grand champ spikes than any other variety that I know of. Some spikes misplace but they are still pretty.									
FALCON	567	49	Woods	19/8	A	40	30	20	10/25
FRIENDSHIP	442	49	Fischer	19/7	B	15	10	5	Pkg 15
Beautiful easy growing early pink.									
GENE	410	49	Farrington	19/8	B	15	10	5	Pkg 25
Early ruffled yellow with strong stem.									
GINGER	422	52	Fischer	18/7	B	1.00	75	50	10/1.0
A fine new orange									
GOLDEN DAWN	410	51	Sawellief	19/8	A	30	20	15	10/30
This yellow deserves to be better known. Classified as 310 but definitely 410 for me. Should win easily in its class at the shows.									
GORGEOUS DEB	530	49	Wilson	21/9	A	60	40	20	10/25
One of the all time beauties. Heavily ruffled salmon.									
HAROLD K	536	49	Knight	22/8	B	50	25	15	10/25
A shoulder high plain petaled scarlet.									
HEARTS DESIRE	540	48	Fiedler	20/8	A	20	15	10	25/25
A beautiful ruffled tall growing pink. Possible grand champ.									
HELLOS	412	52	Fischer	19/8	B	50	35	25	10/1.0
A new bright yellow that looks like a winner in its class.									
JOLLY ROGERS	562	49	Hatch	20/7	B	50	25	15	20/25
A tall growing raspberry colored glad. Sometimes crooks.									
KING DAVID	570	51	Carlson	21/8	A	1.50	1.00	75	10/1.0
Very beautiful royal purple with perfect placement.									
KNIGHTHOOD	470	52	Fischer	18/7	B	1.50	1.00	75	10/1.0
Very good color and size but opens too few for a big show winner.									
LADY WAYNE	530	48	Deam	19/8	B	25	15	10	25/25
Giant salmon with nice placement.									
MAGIC WAND	440	50	Lins	18/7	B	50	35	25	10/25
The pink with a frosty sheen. A color hard to beat.									
MAUREEN GARDNER	501	51	Proyle	22/9	B	25	20	15	20/25
This off white giant looks to me as if it could be champ. Grows too tall in wet weather.									
MAXA	530	48	Pruitt	19/7	B	25	15	10	20/25
A giant size Boise Belle that is near the top for beauty.									

WATCOMA GARDENS  
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# RECENT INTRODUCTIONS

MOTHER FISCHER	400	51	Fischer	20/8	B	50	35	25	10/25
An extra tall growing pure white. Wonderful habits.									
NEW YORK	564	51	Salmon	20/8	B	15	10	5	25/25
Giant Dark red. Bulblet growth is very vigorous.									
NORDIC QUEEN	540	52	Fischer	19/7	B	1.00	75	50	10/1.0
A sister of Evangeline with large heavy petaled florets & its own styl									
NOWETA ROSE	562	50	Fischer	20/10	A	50	35	25	10/25
Many times grand champ. Has been sensational, but does not seem to like my growing conditions.									
PARTHIENA	568	48	Hitchcock	19/8	B	15	10	5	25/25
A giant lavender purple. I am not personally fond of this color but you may think it is wonderful as many do.									
POINSETTIA	450	52	Johnson	20/7	A	1.00	75	50	10/1.0
A knockout in a light ruffled red. Reports on the parentage of this beauty are conflicting, but if you compare it with Dieppe you will notice a great similarity in floret form and markings.									
POLYNESIA	430	50	K & M	21/9	A	30	20	15	25/25
This salmon with cream throat can be grown for grand champ.									
PROF. GOUDRIAN	506	50		19/7	C	25	15	10	25/25
A very easy growing cream with informal placement.									
QUEEN MARY	532	50	Torrie-Flad	20/8	B	50	35	25	10/25
A very heavily ruffled salmon pink. It is the offspring of the two most famous parents of all time, Picard & Elizabeth the Queen.									
ROYAL TREAT	452	52	Lins	20/8	B	1.50	1.00	75	10/1.0
A tall growing dark red.									
REGAL RED	536	49	Fischer	19/7	B	15	10	5	pkg/25
A very late deep scarlet with two white throat stripes.									
SIERRA SNOW	400	51	Harris	22/10	AA	1.00	75	50	5/25
This very tall growing white was grand champion for us at the 1952 Wisconsin State Show. The cut spike measured 54 inches and was cut 18 inches above ground. This big white will easily open 10.									
SULTARA	483	49	Pruitt	18/7	B	15	10	5	pkg/25
One of the prettiest smokies. Rose with a smoky cream throat.									
SUNDANCE	412	49	Almey	24/8	B	30	20	15	10/25
A very tall growing yellow.									
TYRONE	466	52	Deam	21/8	AA	2.00	1.50	1.00	10/2.0
This light lavender with heavy midribs seems to have perfect placement. It has been grand champion many times.									
VELVET MANTLE	454	49	Fischer	19/7	B	15	10	5	pkg/25
A very tall black red with a long willowy stem.									
W. H. ROSEMER	466	49	Hatch	18/8	C	35	25	15	25/25
This rosy lavender is a new color in glads. Foliage is spotted white from lack of chlorophyll but grows very well.									
WHITE TOWER	501	51	Lins	20/8	B	50	35	25	10/25
A tall growing clear white with a deep pink throat blotch.									
WHITE WAVE	500	51	Fischer	18/6	C	15	10	5	Pkg/25
An easy growing lightly ruffled white.									
WILDFIRE	436	52	Lins	18/7	B	1.50	1.00	75	10/1.00
A heavily ruffled deep scarlet with velvety texture.									

## MINIATURES

CLAUDE CARCY	241	52	Maynard	20/8	AA	1.50	1.00	75	10/1.00
A very tall miniature pink. Should easily win section champ.									
LITTLE GOLD	212	50	Fischer	13/4	B	15	10	5	pkg/25
A nice golden orange. Hard to beat for color.									
LITTLE SWEETHEART	240	48	Fischer	15/6	A	25	15	10	25/25
Very beautiful ruffled pink. Has been miniature champ at many shows.									
MARIONETTE	213	49	Butt	17/6	A	50	35	25	10/50
Very attractive ruffled yellow with plum throat.									
STATUETTE	211	50	Butt	18/8	AA	1.00	75	50	10/1.00
My favorite miniature. Nearly every spike is a show spike and we have even won a blue ribbon with a bulblet spike.									
WHITE LACE	300	51	Fischer	14/6	B	25	15	10	pkg/25
Very beautiful ruffled white but florets are medium size.									

Group I - IAM 3/25 S 5/25 OLDER MINIATURES Group II IAM 2/25 S 4/25

COMET	Very small yellow.			BLUE LILY	Blue with throat mark.		
COLORES	Pink. Makes good corsage.			BO PEEP	Ruffled pink.		
EDNA	Plain petal orange.			CRINKLETTE	Good miniature orange.		
LEWIS	Red with cream edge.			HYLAS	Early purple.		
MRS. C. COOLIDGE	Easy growing pink.			NADIA	Prize winning salmon.		
PATCY BERG	Very small. Rose color.			ORANGE BUTTERFLY	Opens many.		
THOM. E. WILSON	Red face up.			ROSETTE	Light rose.		
WHITE TWEEDE	White, dark throat.			RUBY	Very good red.		
CLIFF NOT BATTERED	Red with buds of seeds.						







# OLDER VARIETIES OF GLADIOLUS

GROUP I Large 3/25 Medium 4/25 Small 6/25 Bbts. Pkg. 25¢

Abu Hassan	Dark Blue		Mid America	Giant red
Algonquin	Giant Scarlet		Montpelier	Tall pink
Aristos	Light Blue	*	Mrs. Marks Memory	Big purple
Aureole	Ruffled Yellow		Mrs. M.J. White	Gigantic white
Autumn Gold	Medium orange		Mrs. R.G. Errey	Black red
Barcarole	Late orange		Mt. Index	Tall white
Beacon	Tall scarlet		Mt. Kosciusco	Giant white
Beautys Blush	Pastel pink		Myrna Fay	Early lavender
Big Top	Big pink		Nila	Black red
Black Opal	Maroon red.	*	Nugget	Nice yellow
Black Phantom	Tall dark red.	*	Ogarita	Giant salmon
Blue Beauty	Light violet	**	Orange Gold	Tall orange
Boulogne	Dk. rose red.	*	Pacific	Ruffled white
Calico Queen	Spotted cream		Pandora	Buff, many open
Casablanca	Late cream white		Pauline	White, purple throat
Cover Girl	Pink, many open.		Paul Reubens	European purple
Cupid	Cute ruffled white**		Picardy	Great salmon
Dieppe	Big scarlet orange		Pfess. Truman	Big pink
Donella	Very early pink	*	Purple supreme	Good purple
Eliz. The Queen	Lavender		R. B.	Tan smoky
Ethel C. Cole	Large pink	**	Red Charm	Very good red
Firebrand	Champion red	*	Rosa van Lima	Pretty pink
General Eisenhower	Big pink		Roosevelts Memory	White
General McArthur	Reliable pink	*	Salmons Glory	White, red throat
Golden Arrow	Good big yellow		Siboney	Good lavender
Gratitude	Orange	*	<del>Sir Galahad</del>	<del>Fluted yellow</del>
Harry Hopkins	Dark red	*	Snow Princess	Commercial white
High Finance	Gray smoky	*	Spic and Span	Most often champion
Hocus Pocus	Extra early yellow*		Spotlight	Yellow, red throat
Huntress	Many open lavender		Spun Gold	Medium yellow
Ivy Robertson	Very tall pink		Stralia	Ruffled buff
Java	Large yellow		Strawberry Peach	Ruffled pink
Kelsey	Picardy sport		Sunlight	Orange
King Click	Good big red	*	Tivoli	Beautiful pink
King Lear	Ruffled purple	*	Treasure Island	Nice pink
Lady Jane	Cream & yellow		Tunias Elite	Good smoky
Lake Placid	Beautiful Cream		Tunias Mahamet	Plum colored smoky
Lancaster	Good purple	*	Vagabond Prince	Brown & red
Lantana	Orange & yellow		Variation	Flesh pink
Lavender & Gold	Small lavender	*	Violet Dickenson	White with mark
Leewards	European pink		Vogue	Ruffled purple
Lipstick	Lipstick blotch		Vulcan	Big purple
Master	Dark red		Wedgewood	Lavender beauty
Margaret Fulton	Older salmon		White Gold	Giant cream
Marqueta	Big orange		Yellow Herald	Nice yellow
Marlene Both	Aussie Salmon			

GROUP II Large 2/25 Medium 3/25 Small 4/25 Pkg. Bbts. 25¢

All Glory	Orange, purple throat*	Ophir	Yellow with blotch
Betty Duncan	Nice orange	Pactolus	Buff, red throat
Birch Red	Best color red	Patrol	Buff, many open
Boldface	Champ deep salmon	Personality	Giant pink
Burma	Ruffled dark rose	Phantom Beauty	Buff pink
Florence Nightengale	Good white	Queen Charlotte	Medium size yellow
Hugh Price	Real buff color	Redowa	Large red
Marcellaise	Late scarlet	Robinson Crusoe	You won't believe it
Kawatiri	Ruffled buff	* Strathnaver	Gigantic white
Mighty Monarch	Big dark red	Sunspot	Good buff yellow
Miss Wisconsin	Medium rose	Toplite	Light rose
Flying Fortress	Old gray & red		

\* Good Parents  
\*\* Superior Proven Parent

## COLLECTIONS

A  
2 each of 25 different varieties  
my choice, separately labeled.

B  
100 mixed bulbs of large flowered  
Gladiolus

50 Large Bulbs \$ 3.00

Large bulbs \$ 4.00







## PART I

## SEEDLING BULBS AND SEEDS

## GLADIOLUS

This list of Gladiolus Seedling bulbs and seeds was originally planned for my own use, but I realize I haven't sufficient time to raise them all and check them properly along with my previous years seedlings that I have selected out. This list of seedling bulbs was selected from 300 different crosses using those in which there were enough bulbs to list, and some of these are of only 25 bulbs or so. Please give several alternate choices as some crosses are bound to sell out early.

These bulbs were raised from seed planted in the spring of 1952. They run in size as follows: 65% small and 35 % medium and large. They will be sold as they run. Example: Atlantic x New York- 25 medium and 36 small. If you order 4 bulbs of this cross you will receive 2 medium and 2 small bulbs. Tivoli x Evangeline 3 medium and 99 small. If you order 4 bulbs you will get 1 large and 3 small as long as they last. The late orders will get 4 small bulbs. If your order is for mixed seedling bulbs you will find that they are mostly small. If you plant them early, 95% should blossom and give blooms good enough to be appraised the first year, as they do for me. Please limit your orders of seedling bulbs to 4 units of each cross.

## SEEDLING BULBS

Order No.	Price	Order No.	Price
1 Mixed - Large Parents 12/	\$1.00	23 <del>Gold x Marlene Both</del>	2/ 35¢
2 Mixed - Miniature Parents 12/	1.00	24 Bridal Orchid x Orchid Marvel	22/35
3 Montpelier x Spic & span	2/ 25	25 Bridal Orchid x Benj. Britton	2/25
4 <del>Personality x Spic &amp; Span</del>	2/35	26 Trails End x Orchid Marvel	2/25
5 Tivoli x Evangeline	2/35	27 Benj. Britton x Dawn Glow	2/25
6 Personality x <del>Gorgeous Deb</del>	2/ 35	28 Mrs Marks Memory x King Lear	2/35
7 Strathnaver x Tivoli	2/25	29 Lancaster x Chas. Dickens	2/25
8 Beautys Blush x Pasteline	2/35	30 Benj. Britton x Cas. Dickens	2/25
9 Friendship x Gen. McArthur	2/25	31 Cupid x Chas. Dickens	2/35
10 Bonfire x Red seedling	2/35	32 Mighty Monarch x Evangeline	2/50
11 Carnival x Red Seedling	2/35	33 Mid America x Mrs M J White	2.25
12 Better Times x Hocus FOCUS	2/25	34 Mid America x Montpelier	2/25
13 Bonfire x New York	2/35	35 Jo Wagenaar x Pfitzers Century	2/35
14 Atlantic x New York	2/25	36 Black Knight x Jo Wagenaar	2/35
15 New York x Black Panther	2/25	37 Strathnaver x Redowa	2/35
16 Strathnaver x Burma	2/25	38 Better Times x Blue Seedling	2/25
17 Jolly Roger x Burma	2/35	39 Sultara x Flying Fortress	2/35
18 Burma x Tacolus	2/35	40 Smyrna x Uhu	2/35
19 Mansoor x Burma	2/35	41 Blue Parents Mixed	3/25
20 Pacifica x Nila	2/25	42 Pink Parents Mixed	3/25
21 Gold x Spun Gold	2/35	43 White Parents Mixed	3/25
22 Gold x Catherine Beath	2/50	44 Blotched Parents Mixed	3/25

FRAGRANT Parents Spic and Span is used because of its New Era Bloo

51 Osage x This Is It	2/35	55 48P10 Spencer x Spic & Span	2/35
52 This Is It x Fragrant Sdlg	2/35	56 Perfume x Spic & Span	2/35
53 Spic & Span x Diadem	2/35	57 Rose Gem x Diadem	2/35
54 46x22 Spencer x Diadem	2/35	58 Mixed Fragrant Seedlings	2/25

## MINIATURE PARENTS

75 Little Gold x White Lace	2/35	82 Ruby x Crinklette	2/35
76 Crinklette x White Lace	2/50	83 Lav. & Gold x Crinklette	2/35
77 White Lace x Marionette	2/50	84 Filigree x Yellow Ribbon	2/35
78 Lav. & Gold x <del>White Lace</del>	2/35	85 Nadia x Little Gold	2/35
79 Elda x Bo Peep <i>Bo Peep</i>	2/25	86 Queen of Bremen x Rose Gem	2/35
80 Wedgewood x Bo Peep	2/35	87 Mixed Miniatures	3/25
81 Osage x Jingles	2/35		







# GLADIOLUS SEED

Each unit 25¢. Limit 4 units each cross

## LARGE PARENTS

Order No.	No. of seeds	Order No.	No. of seeds
101 Sierra Snow x Maxa	4	120 Maxa x Nordic Queen	4
102 Sierra Snow x Evening Star	3	121 Evnageline x Maureen Gardner	3
103 Francesca x Miss Wisconsin	6	122 " x Coral Ace	4
104 " x Wedgewood	8	123 " x Ostrich Feather	6
105 " x Aylmer Glory	6	124 Poinsettia x Firegleam	4
106 White Cloud x White Tower	3	125 " x Belvidere	6
107 Lief erickson x Columbia	4	126 " x Royal Treat	3
108 Pasteline x Lake Flacid	5	127 " x Lord Elgin	4
109 Golden Dawn x Garden Gold	4	128 Belvidere x Royal Treat	4
110 Golden Dawn x Orange Gold	6	129 Ace of Spades x Firegleam	3
111 Orange Gold x Aureole	8	130 Dark David x Royal Treat	6
112 Pactolus x Palette	4	131 Col. Atkinson x Chivalry	3
113 Palette x Boise Belle	3	132 Tyrone x Columbia	3
114 " x Mother Fischer	4	133 Blue Devil x Wedgewood(Eur.)	2
115 Pactolus x Sunspot	4	134 Blue Boy x Atlas	4
116 Peach Glow x Betty Duncan	5	135 Mother Fischer x Swampfire	6
117 Quiberon x Maxa	4	136 Pactolus x Vagabond Prince	4
118 Orange Gold x Quiberon	4	137 Harold K x Pasteline	8
119 Boise Belle x Friendship	5		

## OPEN POLLENATED SEED

			Seeds
150 Mother Fischer	15	159 Betty Duncan	15
151 White Tower	15	160 Polynesia	15
152 Dutch Master	15	161 Enchantment	15
153 Maureen Gardner	15	162 Cordova	15
154 Gene	15	163 Evangeline	15
155 Sundance	15	164 Friendship	15
156 Autumn Moon	15	165 Leah Gorham	15
157 Mellow Moon	15	166 Circe	15
158 Golden Dawn	15	167 New York	15
		168 Red Gleam	15
		169 Lord Elgin	15
		170 Rhett Butler	15
		171 Folklor	15
		172 Jolly Roger	15
		173 Benj. Britton	15
		174 Swampfire	15
		175 Mesa Mist	15
		176 Opeeche	15
		177 Mixed	25

## GLADIOLUS SEED - MINIATURES

201 White Lace x Spot O Rose	3	211 Mrs. C. Coolidge	15
202 Lady Killer x Figurine	4	212 Linda	15
203 Figurine x Betty Duncan	3	213 Pale Moon	15
204 Claucarcy x Little Sweet.	2	214 Wedgewood	15
205 Tweedledum x Osage	3	215 Dragonette	15
206 Little Sweet. x Tweedledum	3	216 The Orchid	15
207 Old South x Fairy	4	217 Fairy Lantern	15
		218 Mixed Fragrant	15
		219 Mixed Miniature	25

This list of Gladiolus seed was added mainly to make our catalog more complete. It is priced according to our estimate of its worth and quantity on hand.

The seed parent is not always the first name given, as we group them for convenience in listing. Example: Poinsettia listed as a seed parent, gave us most of the seed collected as a pollen parent.

Students of genetics tell us there is little difference using two varieties interchangeably as pollen or seed parents.

Please give several alternate choices as the quantity is limited.

## IN GENERAL ABOUT OUR 1953 LIST

We have tried to make our 1953 list as complete as possible. It contains named varieties of gladiolus both old and new, proven parent varieties, seedling bulbs and seeds. We do not have large stocks of any one thing, so it will help us if you give alternate choices. We will not substitute without your permission. If we are out of size ordered we will ship next size larger or smaller to the amount of money sent.

We will include extras and overcount on all orders depending on the size of order and the extras will be mainly of recent introductions.

Our terms are cash with order. Minimum order \$2.50.

If not satisfied with bulbs or seeds upon receipt, return same and



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